

Waikato Regional Council Proposed Waikato Regional Plan Change 1

Waikato and Waipa River Catchments

Submission Form

Submission on a publically notified proposed Regional Plan prepared under the Resource Management Act 1991.

ON: The Waikato Regional Councils proposed Waikato Regional Plan Change 1 – Waikato and Waipa River Catchments.

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I am not a trade competitor for the purposes of the submission but the proposed plan has direct impact on my ability to farm. If the changes sought in the plan are adopted they may impact on others but I am not in direct trade competition with them.

I wish to be heard in support of this submission

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<p>The specific provisions my submission relates to are:</p> <p>State specifically what Objective, Policy, Rule, map, glossary, or Issue you are referring to.</p>	<p>My submission is that:</p> <p>State:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • whether you support, or oppose each provision listed in column 1; • brief reasons for your views. 	<p>The decision I would like the Waikato Regional Council to make is:</p> <p>Give:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • precise details of the outcomes you would like to see for each provision. The more specific you can be the easier it will be for the Council to understand the outcome you seek
<p>Provision:</p> <p>Objective 2</p>	<p>I support and wish to amend. The reasons are:</p> <p>Partially agree, I support the objective that social economic and cultural wellbeing is maintained in the long term, but feel the achievement of this is contradicted by <i>Policy 7</i>, which admits that social disruption will occur.</p>	<p>I seek the provision is retained as proposed.</p>

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Provision:	I oppose and wish to amend. The reasons are:	I seek the provision is amended as set out below:
Rule 3.11.5.7	<p>Land use restrictions will have a big influence on land prices. Dairy farmers will not be able to purchase neighbouring dry stock properties to expand their milking platform, nor will forestry blocks be able to go back into productive farmland. A consent will be needed for anybody willing to try, but will be near impossible to get. This will have a big influence of farm price and a lot of farmers land will decrease especially if the farm has a tree plantation on it which one day was going to go back into pasture. That land will no longer be looked at as farmable therefore the price of the farm will decrease.</p>	<p>Converting farms should be monitored more closely, in the past marginal land was converted, which should never of been aloud to happen. Land Use Capabilities (LUC) should be looked at when a farm is looking to change its land use and if it fits into the category of the contour/soil type, then the farmer should be free to swap between demanding markets.</p>

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	The reasons are:	set out below:
Rule 3.11.5.4	Our catchment has proven in water quality tests that we do not have a nitrogen (N) leaching problem. N Grandparenting would restrict stock numbers unnecessarily and stop farmers having flexibility to adapt to market changes.	Fence necessary and practical waterways, there needs to be some leaniancy with some waterways physically and economically impossible to fence off which will help reduce sediment (P) and E. coli entering our waters. Dam up waterways higher up the headwaters which allows sediment to settle out would be another option instead of fencing off all little streams and will also provide homes for bird life.

Your Sincerely

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